

In the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ A foodstuffs packaging unit, in particular egg box,  
having comprising a bottom part (2), ~~which has~~ having a row of shaped depressions (21) formed  
therein for accommodating separate articles, ~~in particular eggs,~~ and having a shaped lid part (3),  
which is arranged for swing action on the bottom part (2) and, in ~~[[the]]~~ a closed state, bounds an  
interior together with the bottom part, ~~the lid part (3) having~~ and has a trough (4) formed therein  
that is open in ~~[[the]]~~ an upward direction and ~~[[that]]~~ has dimensions for accommodating ~~an~~  
item at least one of the separate articles,

the lid part (3) ~~having a covering means (7)~~ comprising a cover that closes off the trough  
(4) in the upward direction, ~~characterized in that the trough (4) bounding in interior has~~ having  
a depth~~[[,]]~~ that is not greater than a maximum nesting height of the foodstuffs packaging~~[[,]]~~  
and that is ~~designed together with the covering means (7) such that dropping out of the item is~~  
prevented configured in combination with the cover to prevent at least one of the separate  
articles from dropping out of the foodstuffs packaging.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 1,  
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the ~~covering means (7)~~ cover is a sticker.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~either of~~  
~~Claims 1 and 2~~ Claim 1 or 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the ~~closing means (7)~~ is arranged  
cover is pulled around ~~[[two]]~~ opposing edges of the lid part (3).

4. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of~~  
~~the preceding claims~~ Claim 1 or 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the lid part (3) is provided with  
retaining depressions (36), ~~which are preferably~~ connected to the trough (4).

5. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of the preceding claims Claim 4, characterized in that wherein~~ the trough (4) and the retaining depressions (36) have approximately the same depth.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of the preceding claims Claim 4, characterized in that wherein~~ the retaining depressions (36) have a depth which is not ~~made~~ greater than a maximum nesting height of the foodstuffs packaging (1).

7. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of the preceding claims Claim 4, characterized in that wherein~~ the retaining depressions (36) are offset laterally in relation to the shaped depressions (21).

8. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of the preceding claims Claim 4, characterized in that wherein one or more of the retaining depressions (36) have an indent (37) on their floor (38) floors.~~

9. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of the preceding claims Claim 1 or 2, characterized in that wherein~~ the bottom part (2) and the lid part (3) are provided with complementary clamping elevations (5) and clamping openings (6).

10. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 9, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the clamping elevations (5) ~~and/or~~ and the clamping openings (6) are respectively no higher or deeper than a maximum nesting height of ~~preferably 4 to 15 m,~~ further preferably of 7 to 9 ~~m~~ mm.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 9 or 10, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the clamping openings (6) are offset approximately centrally over two adjacent clamping elevations (5) in a row.

12. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of Claims 9 to 11~~ Claim 9, ~~characterized in that wherein the top edge (30) of the lid part (3) is~~ has a

top edge configured such that its spacing from the nearest clamping opening (6) is, at most, equal to the free spacing between adjacent clamping elevations (5).

13. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of Claims 9 to 12~~ Claim 9, characterized in that wherein the clamping elevations (5) and the clamping openings (6) have a conicity of  $2^{\circ}$  to  $15^{\circ}$ , ~~preferably of  $7^{\circ}$  to  $9^{\circ}$ .~~

14. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of Claims 9 to 13~~ Claim 9, characterized in that wherein at least six clamping elevations (5) arranged in a double row are provided.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~Foodstuffs~~ The foodstuffs packaging unit according to ~~one of Claims 9 to 14~~ Claim 9, characterized in that wherein the retaining depressions (36) are designed as the clamping openings (6) and the shaped depressions are designed as clamping elevations (5).

16. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 4, wherein the clamping elevations and the clamping openings are respectively no higher or deeper than a maximum nesting height of 4 to 15 mm.

17. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 4, wherein the clamping elevations and the clamping openings are respectively no higher or deeper than a maximum nesting height of 7 to 9 mm.

18. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 9, wherein the clamping elevations and the clamping openings are respectively no higher or deeper than a maximum nesting height of 7 to 9 mm.

19. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 10, wherein the clamping elevations and the clamping openings have a conicity of  $2^{\circ}$  to  $15^{\circ}$ .

20. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 9, wherein the clamping elevations and the clamping openings have a conicity of  $7^{\circ}$  to  $9^{\circ}$ .

21. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 10, wherein the clamping elevations and the clamping openings have a conicity of 7° to 9°.

22. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 10, wherein the clamping elevations and the clamping openings are respectively no higher or deeper than a maximum nesting height of 7 to 9 mm.

23. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 10, wherein at least six clamping elevations arranged in a double row are provided.

24. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to Claim 10, wherein the retaining depressions are designed as the clamping openings and the shaped depressions are designed as clamping elevations.

25. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to claim 1, wherein the foodstuffs packaging unit is configured for packaging eggs.

26. (New) The foodstuffs packaging unit according to claim 9, wherein the foodstuffs packaging unit is configured for packaging eggs.